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This is a Request for filing a  $\boxtimes$  continuation  $\square$  divisional  $\square$  continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/071,351 filed on April 30, 1998, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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for

DETERMINATION OF METAL IONS IN SOLUTION BY PHOTOLUMINESCENCE ANISOTROPY

- Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
- 2.  $\square$  The filing fee has been calculated as follows:



			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
;	BASIC FEE		\$710.00	\$355.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	24-20 =	4	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$36.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4-3 =	1	x 80 = \$0.00	x 40 = \$40.00
	E DEPENDENT PRESENTED		+ \$270.00	+ \$135.00
<u> </u>		TOTAL	\$0.00	\$431.00

- 3. 
  A check in the amount of \$431.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
- 4. 
  Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
- 5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
  - a. —This application is a continuation divisional continuation—in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/071,351, filed on April 30, 1998, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, Figure 5 of D. Elbaum et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc., 118: 8381-8387 (1996) is hereby incorporated by reference as Figure 9 of the present application.—
  - ☐ continuation application is b. 🗌 --This а ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/071,351, filed on April 30, 1998and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120. Application No. 09/071,351 is the national International Application No. phase of PCT PCT/\_\_\_\_/ filed on \_\_\_\_ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application under 35 U.S.C. § filed in on No. 119.--

6.	$\boxtimes$	Enclosed is/are $\underline{\text{eight}}$ (8) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
7a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/071,351 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
7b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
8.	$\boxtimes$	The prior application is assigned to <u>University of Pennsylvania and University of Maryland</u> , <u>Baltimore</u> .
9.		A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
10a.		Priority of Application No(s) filed in on is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. $\$$ 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on
10b.		Priority of International Appln filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
11.		An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
12.	$\boxtimes$	Address all future communications to:
		BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747 Telephone: (703) 205-8000  or Customer No. 2292
13.		An extension of time for() month(s) until has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/071,351 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
14.	$\boxtimes$	Also enclosed herewith is the following:
		Revocation and Power of Attorney, Substitute Power of Attorney, Change in Correspondence Address

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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